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MINISTRY OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

(Department of Food)

ORDER

New Delhi, the 15th January, 1958

S.R.O. 251.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (c) of sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following order, namely:—

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This order may be called the Rice and Paddy (West Bengal) Price Control Order, 1958.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Maximum Prices at which rice and paddy may be sold.**—(1) The maximum prices at which rice and paddy of aman fine, and aman other than fine varieties may be sold in wholesale quantities in the districts within the State of West Bengal as mentioned in column 1 of the Second Schedule to this order shall be as specified in the corresponding entries in column 2 of the said Schedule.

(2) For the purposes of this Order—

- (a) all prices are exclusive of the cost of gunny bags but are inclusive of the costs of bagging, weighing, sewing and handling; in case of delivery of naked grain by the seller, the prices shall be reduced by six naye paise per maund;
- (b) a maund is equivalent in weight to forty seers, each seer being equivalent in weight to eighty tolas;
- (c) the prices specified in the Second Schedule to this Order are for fair average quality conforming to the specifications prescribed in the Third Schedule to this order; for rice or paddy below the fair average quality the maximum prices shall be determined by reducing the prices specified in the Second Schedule by the amounts of batta indicated in the Third Schedule;
- (d) “aman fine” means rice or paddy of any of the varieties specified in column 2 of the First Schedule produced in a district specified in the corresponding entry in column 1 thereof;
- (e) “Sale in wholesale quantities” means sale in quantities exceeding ten maunds in any one transaction.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

(See clause 2)

Name of district (1)	Variety of rice or paddy (2)
MIDNAPORE	Sitasal Chanchi (fine variety) Golapsaru Rupsal (fine variety) Kalamkati Sashibalam
BIRBHUM	Sitasal Kalamkati Bankchur Gobindabhog Bhasamanik Bachhai Kalma
BURDWAN	Dadkhani Sitasal Ramsal Bhasamanik Rajjhinga Dudkalma (Saktigarh) Kalamkati Patnai Daharnagra
BANKURA	Sitasal Golapsaru
WEST DINAJPUR	Kataribhog Gokulsal Josua Chini Atap Golapsaru Jirasal

THE SECOND SCHEDULE

(See clause 2)

I Districts	II Maximum price per maund			
	(a) Aman Paddy		(b) Aman Rice	
	Fine Rs. Naye Paise	Other than fine Rs. Naye Paise	Fine Rs. Naye Paise	Other than fine Rs. Naye Paise
1. Districts of Burdwan, Birbhum, Bankura and Midnapore . . .	12.00	9.69	19.50	16.00
2. District of West Dinajpur . . .	11.44	9.19	19.50	16.00

THE THIRD SCHEDULE

(See clause 2)

FIRST SPECIFICATION—AMAN FULLBOILED RICE

Condition to be tested	Tolerance limit Allowable without batta for fair average quality	Rate of Batta
1	2	3
1. Moisture Content	11%	12 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof over 11% up to 13% and 25 naye paise per maund for every 1% over 13%.
2. Pins and Points, Broken below 2 as. and Dirt (In the shape of Bran, Husk and Light Dust only).	0.25%	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.25% over 0.25%.
3. (a) Broken below 12 annas but not below 4 annas.	20%	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof over 20%.
(b) Fragments i.e. below 4 but not below 2 annas.	5%	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof over 5%.
4. Water Damaged (decomposed, discoloured, malodorous or void of food matter).	0.1%	6 naye paise maund for every 0.1% over 0.1%.
5. (a) Dehusked or Red Grain with 70% or over brancoating.	1%	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof over 1%.
(b) Half-milled Grains	10%	6 naye paise per maund for every 10% or a fraction thereof over 10% up to 40% and 12 naye paise per maund for every 10% or a fraction thereof over 40%.
6. Unhusked Paddy	1 Grain of Paddy in 2000 grains of rice.	6 naye paise per maund for every excess 1 grain of paddy in 2000 grains of rice up to 6 grains of paddy in 2000 grains of rice and 12 naye paise per maund for every 1 grain of paddy over 6 grains in 2000 grains of rice.
7. Admixture of Aus	Nil	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof.
8. Weevilled or Webby Grain	0.25%	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.25% over 0.25%.
9. Offensive Odour	Nil	..
10. Deep Yellow Grains	0.25%	12 naye paise per maund for every 0.25% over 0.25%.

Condition to be tested	Tolerance limit Allowable without batta for fair average quality	Rate of Batta
1	2	3
11. Halfboiled grains	0.25%	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.25% over 0.25%.
12. Stones	Only stones of the size of the diameter of the paddy will be tolerated. Stones of other size must be removed by the producer by screening.	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.1%.
13. Sand	Nil	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.25%.

SECOND SPECIFICATION—AMAN ATAP RICE

1. Moisture Content	11%	12 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof over 11% up to 13% and 25 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof over 13%.
2. Pins, Points & Brokens below 2 annas and Dirt (in the shape of Bran Husk & Dust Etc.).	0.25%	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.25% over 0.25%.
3. (a) Brokens below 12 annas but not below 4 annas.	30%	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof over 30%.
(b) Fragments, i.e. below 4 annas but not below 2 annas.	5%	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof over 5%.
4. Water Damage (decomposed, discoloured, malodorous or void of food matter)	0.1%	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.1% over 0.1%.
5. (a) Dehusked Grain or Red Grain with 70% or over brancoating.	1%	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof over 1%.
(b) Half-milled grains	10%	6 naye paise per maund for every 10% or a fraction thereof over 10% upto 40% & 12 naye paise per maund for every 10% or a fraction thereof over 40%.
6. Unhusked Paddy	2 Grains of Paddy in 1000 grains of Rice.	6 naye paise per maund for every excess 1 grain of paddy in 1000 grains of Rice upto 4 grains of paddy in 1000 grains of rice and 12 naye paise per maund for every 1 grain of paddy over 4 grains in 1000 grains of rice.
7. Admixture of Aus	Nil	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof.

Condition to be tested	Tolerance limit Allowable without batta for fair average quality	Rate of Batta
I	2	3
8. Weevilled and Webby grain	0.25%	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.25% over 0.25%.
9. Offensive Odour	Nil	..
10. Deep Yellow Grains	0.25%	12 naye paise per maund for every 0.25% over 0.25%.
11. Stones	Only stones of the size of the diameter of the paddy will be tolerated. Stones of other sizes must be removed by the producer by screening.	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.1%.
12. Sand	Nil	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.25%.

THIRD SPECIFICATION — AMAN OTHER THAN FINE TYPE PADDY

1. Moisture Content	12%	12 naye paise per maund for every 1% over 12% upto 14% and 25 naye paise per maund for every 1% over 14%.
2. Water Damage (Decomposed, discoloured, malodorous, germinated or void of food-matter.	0.1%	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.1% over 0.1%
3. Admixture of Aus	Nil	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof.
4. Foreign matter, sand, Silica, mudballs, Dust, Dead Grains, Straw, Chaffings etc.	2.5%	12 naye paise per maund of paddy for every 1% excess refraction or a fraction thereof over 2.5%.
5. Off-Colour Grains	0.25%	9 naye paise per maund for every 0.25% over 0.25%.
6. Burnt Paddy	Nil	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof.

FOURTH SPECIFICATION—AMAN FINE TYPE PADDY

1. Moisture Content	12%	12 naye paise per maund for every 1% over 12% upto 14% and 25 naye paise per maund for every 1% over 14%.
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Condition to be tested	Tolerance limit Allowable without batta for fair average quality	Rate of Batta
1	2	3
2. Water Damage (Decomposed, discoloured, malodorous, germinated or void of food-matter.	0.1%	6 naye paise per maund for every 0.1% over 0.1%
3. Admixture of Aus	Nil	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof.
4. Foreign matter sand, Silica, mudballs, Dust, Dead Grains, Straw, Chaffings etc.	2.5%	16 naye paise per maund of paddy for every 1% excess refraction or a fraction thereof over 2.5%.
5. Off-Colour Grains	0.25%	9 naye paise per maund for every 0.25% over 0.25%.
6. Burnt Paddy	Nil	6 naye paise per maund for every 1% or a fraction thereof.

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